Title: Request to abolish the fee charged for the development of Calicut airport.

SHRI E. AHAMED (MANJERI): Mr. Chairperson, I would like to raise a very important matter concerning my constituency and the entire State of Kerala. Calicut airport is one of the very important airports of the country from where more than 35 overseas flights and more than 32 flights between Calicut, Mumbai and Chennai take place every week. Every passenger flying from there to the Gulf countries has to pay Rs.500 extra without any reason. It was to be paid only to complete the development of the airport, but even after it has been completed, they are charging it as user fee. As a matter of fact, there was no user fee required to be paid earlier. It is a useless fee.

In the matter of appointments also which they are making, they are ignoring the reservation for the Backward Classes, the Minorities and also the local people. Therefore, I urge the Government to take it as a very important matter and do the needful in order to do justice to the poor people.